BLIND BUT HAPPY

Evanston's Sightless Lecturer, Philose pher and All Around Cheerful Man. It is generally accepted as a fact that faculties she compensates him for his loss by making one or more of those left unim

paired additionally acute. There is a man in Evanston, Ills., a sub urb of Chicago, who though totally blind is nevertheless able, alone, to find about the big city. He knows the different thoroughfares by name and recognize them as he gets to them. His great diffi culty is to cross the streets in safety, the

poise of the many vehicles causing him to "lose his bearings. George Schorb is the blind man's name.

Не розневыез а wonderful memory, is quick at repartee and is cheerful in his manner. Mr. Schorb can quote offhand almost any passage from Shakespeare, Byron, Kingsley and Tennyson. His friends aver that he knows the Bible by heart, but Mr. statement is an exaggeration. His



due to the fact GEORGE SCHORB. that it impairs his power to make money Mr. Schorb earns his living by giving lectures, most of them of a homilette na ture. His income supports him in com-fort. He resides with the family of Professor O. M. Pearson, at whose residence be has a fine library, consisting of books printed with raised letters. He was at one time a professor in the Janesville (Wis.) School for the Blind. As an evidence of the philosophical cheerfulness with which he regards his affliction it is only neces-Fun of Being Blind; or, the Thorns and Roses of Life, Showing How to Pick the Roses and Leave the Thorns," Mr. Schorb's cure for the blues is a novel one. He says that when he cannot rid himself of them in any other way he simply whistles.

The Oldest Telegraph Operator. The person should be happy who sno-ceeds in earning the good will and respect of the community in which his life has

been spent Colonel D. P. Livermore, the ex-manager of the telegraph office at Hallowell, Me., 18 such a man. He has been offered the nomination for mayor of his town several times, and might have gone to the legisla ture had he chosen. He persistently deed, however, to take any active part in

Colonel Livermore has just retired from the management of the telegraph office



ica to receive a message over the wires. as he was thirty years ago, and, moreover appreciates a joke as keenly as any man in the town. He derives his title of "colo- tropical fruits. nel" from connection with a militia com

Reaped Success from Disaster.

A circus was stranded in Altoona Pa. Connected with the show was a man from Biddeford, Me., who had the candy privliege. He deplored the fact that the circus had "smashed up." but that was not all trained bear, the stuffed snake and the fat woman and exhibited them with great success-pecuniarily. He now owns a dime museum and is on the high road to wealth

A mountain lion which measures nine feet from the tip of its nose to the tip of its tail ought to be an awkward customer to handle, and yet a hunter of Provo. U. T. recently killed and brought into town such an animal, as well as the mate, which measured seven feet. The mate weighed 400 pounds. They were both killed in Hob ble Creek canyon.

An Aged Navigator.

The only surviving member of Parry's famous expedition to the north polar r ons in 1820 is Captain John Green, of Or ford, Suffolk, England, who served as an able seaman on board the Hecla. Captain Green, although comparatively vigorous is very old, and



March, 1897 will have seen a century of life After his return from the "Land of the Midnight sun, in 1822, he left the British travy and entered the service of large firm of ship ty four decates be suied on mer

chant ships and CAPTAIN JOHN GREEN retired with the rank of captain when more than sixty years of age. The people of Suffolk are very proud of Captain Green, and recently at the Orford horticulturni show, when he was wheeled about the hall and grounds in a bath chair, he was greeted at every turn with the most vociferous applanse. The captain, like many scafaring men was not much of a money saver and he lives in a very hamble way, although

When Eaby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.

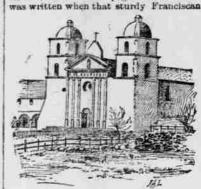
When the became Miss, she clung to Custoria. when she had Chridren, she gave them Castor a

THE OLD MISSIONS.

NTERESTING RELICS OF THE FRAN-CISCAN FATHERS IN CALIFORNIA.

Most Are but Ruins, bet Some Are Well Preserved, While All Are Well Worthy of a Visit-Mrs. Stauford's Monument to Padre Junipero Serra.

[Special Correspondence.]
SAN DIEGO, Feb. 3.—California may be said to have an ancient and a modern history. The latter dates from the discovery of gold by Marshall at Sutter's Mill, Jan. 18, 1848, and the first page of the former



friar, Father Junipero Serra established the first mir ion at San Diego, July 16, 1769, and thus laid the corner stone of civflization in California. Father Junipero Serra founded not less than thirteen missions before his death in 1784.

These missions, together with several others founded by the Franciscan friars after the death of Father Junipero Serra, extend along the Pacific coast from San Diego to San Francisco, and have played an important part in the civilization and government of Mexican California. They were the seats of learning, the agricultural centers, and in a measure the padre of the mission ruled the country for miles around. With the establishment of a mission cultivation of the soil was begun, for each mission had to be self supporting. Orange, sary to give the title of his most popular lecture, which he whimsically calls. "The planted and a vineyard cultivated.

As an example of the thrift of these missions I would cits the one at San Carlos, founded in 1770 Ten years later the padres in charge swned 7,000 head of cattie, 2,000 sheep and 500 horses and mules, to say nothing M prosperous vineyards, olive and orang groves, and thirty years later their herds had increased to include 100,000 head of cattle, nearly as many sheep and half as many horses and mules, and in 1830 they shipped \$100,000 worth of tallow and hides and specie to Mexico.

In the selection of a location for a new mission Father Junipero Serra used rare good judgment. The lands in every instance were the most fertile, best watered and the most picturesque within a day's journey. The old mission at San Diego is located in a beautiful vailey a few miles porth of the present city. Only the walls srestanding, and the chief object of interest to the tourist is the old bells, which have been removed from the ruins of the mission tower and are now hung on a low framework close beside a new chapel and

school house. About twenty miles north of San Diego we come to the Mission San Juan Capis-trano. This mission was almost entirely destroyed by an earthquake during divine service in 1812. Many lives were lost, but the church records do not give the number. Portions of the mission were rebuilt, but not equal to its former grandeur. It is still secupied by an old padre, whose principal duties now are the singing of chants and the daily ringing of the old bells. Of these there are five, and being composed of 5 per cent. silver they have a rich tone that has made them famous. This mission was once ouite famous for its school, and at one time several hundred Mexican Indians and white children daily answered its roll call.

One of the most interesting of all the old missions is the one at Santa Barbara. Although it was founded as long ago as Dec. 4. 1786, it is the best preserved and the best looking mission church in the state, and the only one in which there still meditates ervice of over four dec- and preaches a Franciscan friar, with ades. He is said to be the oldest operator shaved head and hood and gown. This in the United States, being 57 years of age. grand old structure will compare with He has also served longer than any other | Avila and San Sebastian. Its bells came from Spain, and are composed of equal the expert telegraphers of the New England parts of copper and silver taken from states were pupils of Colonel Livermore. Mexico. For more than a hundred years whose original "student" was his own these sweet sounding bells have mingled daughter, the first woman in North Amer- their morning melodies with those of the hanet and the thrush. All around are un-He is as active, talkative and entertaining rivated hillsides and sequestered sweeps of lowlands interlaced with vineyards and groves of all varieties of nuts and semi-

Some twenty monks live in the building. which accounts for the good state of the mission. In fact it has undergone so many repairs that the building is to some extent a modern structure. The main body of the church is 200 feet long and 40 feet wide. In a wing 130 feet long and 35 feet wide, live the twenty remaining members of the community of Franciscan friars. The friars and their cats and their mockings birds



MISSION AT BUENAVERTURA.

fraternize with each other serenely, and the former are undoubtedly happier than have all they want that is good to eat and drink, they teach the young Santa Barbars idea properly to shoot and they lead a temperate, moderate, harmless life, doing

all the good they can in their way. A feature of the mission is its extensive garden, in which is what is said to be the largest grapevine in the world. Its trunk measures thirty four inches in circumfer ence, its branches are trained over an aron a yearly average over the tons of grapes It has been known to yield a crop of six

It is a curious law of the Franciscan friars and most religiously adhered to, that no woman shall be allowed to enter this garden. The only occasion when this rule has been knowingly violated, with the permission of the Franciscan monks. was in favor of the Princess Louise at the time of her visit to the Pacific coast a few

years ago. What influence was brought to bear to make an exception in her case is not known, but the monks have never quite forgiven themselves for this breach of discipline, and for months after the walks were daily sprinkled with holy

Probably the most interesting of the old missions, from an historic standpoint, is the Mission of San Carmelo, or Carmel as it is commonly called. It was founded in for ten cents, 1770 by Father Junipero Serra.

It is here that Padre Serra made his some, and here he is buried in the sanetuary fronting the "Altar of Our Lady of the Truth.

it is here that may be seen the last rest | CAME TO THE FRONT. ing places of several priests who were co-workers with Padre Serra, and of fifteen governors of California when it was yet

For many years this mission was unoc-cupied, but recently the church has taken

During August of 1889, Senator and Mrs.

of his fellow beings, a faithful servant of

On the other side of the base is this quo

"As the Lord liveth, even what my God

Another interesting old mission that is yet in a fair state of preservation is the San Buenaventura, founded by Father Ju-

bricks two-thirds the way up and topped with adobe. On June 7, 1857, the church

was budly wrecked by an earthquake. The

building was repaired and a shingle roof took the place of the old tile one. The in-

terior of the church is spacious and attrac-

tive, several of the paintings being quite

built, and apparently in as good condition

Other notable missions are the San Ga-

briel at Los Angeles; the San Fernando,

forty miles north of Los Angeles; the San

Luis Obispo at San Luis Obispo; the San

bend of the Joione valley, and the Dolores

It is curious and almost surprisingly

strange that none of the numerous rich so-

cieties of California have so far taken any

or their interesting and historical relics.

The mission at Santa Barbara is now the

He Is in the Market.

New YORE, Feb. 8.—"What is James R. Keene doing now?" I asked of one of the best informed men in Wall street. "Is he

"Is he in the market?" my friend re-

It is not so very long ago that James R.

peated with a laugh. "He is in the mar-

Keene was almost ruined by the collapse

of the great wheat deal. He is said to have come out of it about nine millions to

the bad and to have been in a position where, if his creditors had pushed him to

the wall, he would have lost everything.

But in Wall street there is a great disin-

ulator is a man who is to the last degree

will follow his play, but he makes business.

You could number on your fingers men

street would cause a decline in business

that would swamp half those left behind

And second it is somewhat dancerous work driving a great speculator, a man

who has shown he has the brains to ride

the market, into that state of mind where he looks on you as a personal enemy. The one most valuable thing in Wall street is

that peculiar variety of mind which en-ables a man to deal successfully. It is the

rarest of minds, but when a man has it

money is sure to come. Now James R.

Keene is a genius in this regard.

At the present time Mr. Keene about

ontrols the market in the three most spe

ulative stocks. These are sugar certifi-

no longer, the sugar trust; the stock of the

National Cordage company, which is the

name assumed by the trust which controls 85 per cent. of all the cordage mills in this

country and Canada, and not only fixes the

price of cordage to the consumers of bind-

ing twine, but regulates the price paid for the raw material to the growers of hemp and sisal in the tropics, and Chicago Gas

stock. With these three Mr. Keene can do

about as he sees fit, and these have gov-

The choice of stocks to manipulate is char-

the settlement of the wheat corner he has

paid in full. His present forsume is vari-

That be is pretty well off is shown by the fact that his son, Foxhall Keene, was re-

cently able to pay \$32,000 for Tourmaline,

And the verdict of Wall street in New

York only repeats that of California street in San Francisco, as the brokers and oper-

ators there found out when Mr. Keene left

Beats Bome Talent.

Mrs. Hicks-It takes me two solid

Hicks-I can get it done in a hurry

Hicks-Take him down to that place

where they clean kids while you wait .-

hours to wash and dress Dick for church.

Mrs. Hicks-How, pray?

ALFRED BALCH.

the English stallion.

usiv estimated from \$5,000,000 to \$8,000,000.

stes, certificates of what was once, but is

AVARD MOORE.

The altar stands as originally

tation from the holy Scriptures

saith, that will I speak."

as it was 100 years ago.

at San Francisco.

in the market?"

sung from its altars.

is this inscription:

his master.'

ssion of it again. Many repairs have

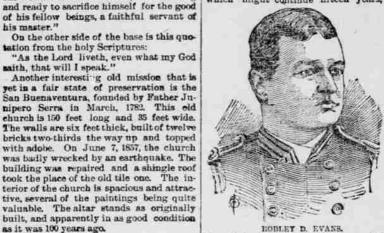
TWO MEN MADE PROMINENT BY THE

CHILIAN CONTROVERSY. een made, and now masses are again dally

The Record of "Fighting Bob" Evans a a Naval Officer-Bis Gallantry and De-

Leland Stanford spent some weeks at Mon-terey. In their drives about the old mission they used to pass the rough, wooden cross that marks the landing place of Fa-ther Junipero Serra. Mrs. Stanford con-ceived the idea of erecting a suitable mon-The late complication with Chili made two Americans, already conspicuous, very prominent, viz., Minister Patrick Egan nd Commander Robley D. Evans. Both ument to the memory of the pioneer mis-sionary. It is now completed, and stands have had rather romantic careers. the delegate representing the then new territory of Utah made his first appointment to the United States Naval academy, the event was important and the young within the military reservation on the crest of a hill overlooking the Bay of Monterey. It is ten feet high, and represents the monk, clothed in the habit and vestments of his cadet was Robley D. Evans. He left the academy in 1860 with the title of acting order, as stepping from an Indian cance, in which is a large cross, the plenting of which was always the first step in the midshipman and entered at once upon acfounding of a new mission. The features of the face are reproduced from long pre-

He gained an enviable reputation during the civil war, and is known among naval served paintings. One hand is raised as officers as "Fighting Bob." He is passion-ately devoted to his profession, and has re-peatedly refused most tempting offers to leave the service and take position as chief though giving a blessing, and in the other On one side at the base of the monument gineer of various enterprises, a place for "This monument was erected in 1891 by which he is eminently well qualified. A Jane L. Stanford, in memory of Father company of capitalists once requested him Junipero Serra, a philanthropist seeking to name his terms for an engagement the welfare of the humblest, a hero daring and ready to sacrifice himself for the good



ROBLEY D. EVANS. they designed a great work. In a spirit of levity the naval hero replied, "Fifteen thousand dollars a year and a bonus of \$200,000 when the work is done," To his stonishment and embarrassment the diectors promptly accepted, and he was obliged to explain that he had placed the figures absurdly high, as he considered, to end the matter, as nothing would tempt him to leave the navy.

He won his first honors on the old Powhatan, in the assault on Fort Fisher, where he led a company of marines and was wounded in the leg. He advanced rapidly in grade, and on the 12th of July, 1878, was made commander, a rank be still holds. As commander of the gunboat Yorktown Miguel, thirty miles south of San Luis on the Chilian coast, he has acted with Obispo; the San Antonio of Padua at the praiseworthy promptness, and when the crew of one of the Yorktown's boats was stoned by Chilian sailors in the harbor of Valparaiso he called the commander of the Chilian vessel to account, and declared that if any further indignities were offered steps to preserve any of these old missions he would protect his men by vigorous measures. His language and action were worthy of the old days of Decatur and

only one yet in possession of the order that founded it—the Franciscan friars.

Preble and Ingraham.

The position of Minister Egan is very much like that of Pierre Soule in 1853-5. Soule was a fugitive—in fact, an escaped convict from France, and minister the United States in Spain during a revolutionary outbreak in which Frenchmen were deeply interested. Egan is only a quasi fugitive from Ireland, and is American minister in a country where British interests are great. The Pierce administration sustained Soule unflinchingly, but he resigned in 1855, having been dogged, as he alleged, by French spies, and stopped at the French frontier while on a diplomatic tour until orders came from Paris to allow him Mr. Soule had been many years in the United States, had served a term in the United States senate and become American throughout, while Mr. Egan had ceased to be a British subject but

a short time before he became American minister to Chili. Of course his position successful wholly out of the market. This arises from two facts: First, a great spec has been one of extraordinary difficulty. Patrick Egan was born Aug. 31, 1841, at valuable to the street. He not only has a Ballymahon, County Longford, Ireland, certain number of people behind him who shrewdness in trade and general business ability. At the age of fourteen he ob who, were they to withdraw from the tained a responsible place with a large



PATRICK EGAN.

milling firm in Dublin, became a director soon after reaching the lawful age, and at fortunate with a good clerkship he was the responsible man of this concern and head shown a preference for speculation in things which from their very nature are as his age would permit he also became a of the largest bakery in Ireland. As soon Nationalist, was a leader in the movement at twenty-eight, and at thirty, to wit., ir 1871, was the chief conditator of Isaac Butt in founding the Home Rule leag short, he almost equaled Alexander Hamilton in political precocity and quite excelled him in managing his private affairs. In 1879 he was unanimously che of the three trustees of the Land League and so became its treasurer. When the quarrels grew hot he was accused of misapplying the funds, and about the same time learned that the government designed to prosecute him. Accordingly he "located in Paris" till vindicated by the Land League, and then, after a hurried trip to Ireland, went to Holland and thence to the United States in 1883. His subsequent career is well known to Americans.

A Paper for the Sloux.

Devil's Lake, N. D., is soon to have a paper which will be unique, if not success It will be known as The Lina Sappa Wocekire Taeyaupaba. It will be printed in the Sloux language, and its editor will be an Indian missionary known as Father Jerome. The average newsboy will have considerable difficulty in mastering the name of the new Sloux newspaper

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"Yes, sir. It's mighty rough on a trav-eler like me not ter be able to tell whether a sign says Beware of the Dog or Free Dinners Provided "-Spare Momenta

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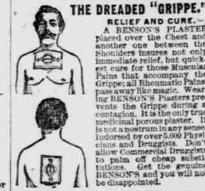
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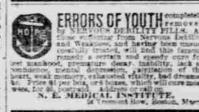
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versation I happened to mention the city "What do you call him?"

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you call him that for?" "Because he has a hundred gaits, of course. Don't you know ancient history?" "I've heern of Europe too," he went on. "Yes; that's across the ocean, you

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